SENATE/HOUSE FILE

BY (PROPOSED IOWA PUBLIC

EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT

SYSTEM BILL)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act concerning the administration of the Iowa public
- 2 employees' retirement system.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. Section 97B.4, subsection 2, paragraph c, Code
- 2 2009, is amended to read as follows:
- 3 c. In administering this chapter, the system may enter into
- 4 a biennial agreement with the department of administrative
- 5 services concerning the sharing of resources between the
- 6 system and department which are of benefit to each and
- 7 which are consistent with the mission of the system and
- 8 the department. The budget program for the system shall be
- 9 established by the chief executive officer in consultation with
- 10 the board and other staff of the system and shall be compiled
- 11 and submitted by the system pursuant to section 8.23.
- 12 Sec. 2. Section 97B.4, subsection 4, paragraph a, Code 2009,
- 13 is amended to read as follows:
- 14 a. Annual report to governor. Not later than the
- 15 thirty-first day of December of each year, the system shall
- 16 submit to the governor a report covering the administration
- 17 and operation of this chapter during the preceding fiscal
- 18 year and shall make recommendations for amendments to this
- 19 chapter. The report shall include a balance sheet of the
- 20 moneys in the retirement fund. The report shall also include
- 21 information concerning the investment management expenses
- 22 for the retirement fund for each fiscal year expressed as a
- 23 percent of the market value of the retirement fund investment
- 24 assets, including the information described in section 97B.7,
- 25 subsection 3, paragraph "d". The information provided under
- 26 this paragraph shall also include information on the investment
- 27 policies and investment performance of the retirement fund.
- 28 In providing this information, to the extent possible, the
- 29 system shall include the total investment return for the entire
- 30 fund, for portions of the fund managed by investment managers,
- 31 and for internally managed portions of the fund, and the cost
- 32 of managing the fund per thousand dollars of assets. The
- 33 performance shall be based upon market value, and shall be
- 34 contrasted with relevant market indices and with performances
- 35 of pension funds of similar asset size.

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- 1 Sec. 3. Section 97B.58, Code 2009, is amended to read as 2 follows:
- 3 97B.58 Information furnished by employer.
- 4 To enable the system to administer this chapter and perform
- 5 its functions, the employer shall, upon the request of and
- 6 in the manner provided by the system, supply full provide
- 7 accurate, complete, and timely information to the system of
- 8 all matters relating to the pay of all members, date of birth,
- 9 their retirement, death, or other cause for termination of
- 10 employment, and other pertinent facts the system may require
- 11 in the manner provided by the system. The system shall not be
- 12 liable to any member, retiree, or beneficiary for any monetary
- 13 or other relief due to the failure of the employer to comply
- 14 with this section.
- 15 EXPLANATION
- 16 This bill concerns the administration of the Iowa public
- 17 employees' retirement system (IPERS).
- 18 Code section 97B.4(2)(c) is amended by striking the
- 19 provision which authorized the system to enter into a biennial
- 20 agreement with the department of administrative services
- 21 concerning the sharing of resources between IPERS and the
- 22 department.
- 23 Code section 97B.4(4)(a), concerning the annual report
- 24 to the governor, is amended by striking the inclusion of
- 25 information relative to investment management expenses
- 26 described in Code section 97B.7(3)(d). Legislation enacted
- 27 in 2008 struck the requirement in Code section 97B.7(3)(d)
- 28 limiting investment management expenses to .4 percent of the
- 29 fund value.
- 30 Code section 97B.58, concerning information furnished by
- 31 employers under IPERS, is amended. The bill provides that
- 32 the employer shall provide accurate and complete information
- 33 requested by IPERS to administer the Code chapter and further
- 34 provides that IPERS shall not be liable to any member, retiree,
- 35 or beneficiary for any monetary or other relief due to the

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1 failure of an employer to comply with the Code section.